Registered medical practitioners.

326. *MR. D. THOMAS: Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) the total number of registered medical practitioners in the different systems of medicine;

(*b*) the number of registered medical practitioners practising siddha vydiam:

(*c*) the number of applications received for registration from medical practitioners in the Siddha system; and

(*d*) the number of medical practitioners in the Siddha system in receipt of Government grant-in-aid?

MR. C. P. GOPALA PANICKER (*Secretary to Government*): (*a*) 1224

(*b*) 28.

(*c*) 1226; and

(*d*) 11.

Tariff values of timbers.

327. *MR. P. K. KURIAKOSE: (*Moovattupuzha* cum *Devicolam*): Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) the tariff values of the following timbers—

1. teak, 2. Erumulu. 3. Thempavu, 4. Anjily. 5. Maruthy, 6. Venteak, and 7. Firewood;

(*b*) the average rates at which the above timbers were sold this year at Varapuzha and Mudical depots; and

(*c*) whether they have sufficient stocks of these timbers in the depots?

RAO BAHADUR T. V. VENKATESWARA AIYAR (*Conservator of Forests*):

(*a*) A statement showing the tariff values of items 1 to 7 is attached (statement A).

(*b*) A statement furnishing the average auction sale rates for items 1 to 6 is attached (statement B). No firewood is stacked in the depots.

(*c*) Yes.

MR. P. K. KURIAKOSE: May I know when this tariff rate was fixed?

RAO BAHADUR T. V. VENKATESWARA AIYAR: About two years ago, Sir.

Fuel.

328. *MR. A. P. UDAYABHANU (*Karunagapalli* cum *Kartikapalli*): May I know from the Government whether they are aware of the suffering due to the scarcity of fuel in the towns of Travancore?

RAO BAHADUR T. V. VENKATESWARA AIYAR: It is understood that the sale price of firewood in towns has risen considerably in common with the prices of other commodities. No suffering due to non-availability of fuel has been brought to the notice of Government.

*Vide Appendix I.—page 807.

LIBRARY ARCHIVES Kerala Legislative Assembly

Appendix I.

Vide **answer to Question No. 327.**

Statement A. Tariff value.

		Rs.	As.	
Teak I class	...	10	0	per c. ft.
Do. II class	...	7	8	do.
Do. III class	...	4	8	do.
Irul	...	3	8	do.
Thempavu	....	4	0	do.
Maruthy	....	3	4	do.
Venteak	...	3	4	do.
Anjili	...	4	0	do.
Firewood	...	6	0	per ton.

Statement B. Average auction sale rates, obtained in Mudical and Varapuzha depots during 1120.

		Rs.	As.	
Teak I class	...	5	15	per c. ft.
Do. II class	...	4	5	do.
Do. III class	...	2	14	do.
Irul	...	4	5	do.
Thempavu	...	3	11	do.
Anjili	...	2	11	do.
Maruthy	....	3	10	do.
Venteak	...	3	7	do.

Appendix II.

Vide **Answer to Question No. 342.**

Statement showing the conditions on which the present optician in the Ophthalmic Hospital has been engaged.

1. His prices should stand in favourable comparison with those of any other Firm.

2. He should hold a good stock of un-cut glasses and variety of frames.

3. He should have under him an experienced cutter and grinder so that he may be able to dispense any kind of prescription from his stock without sending them out to Madras and other distant places.

4. He should be prepared to supply Cataract Glasses and simple Spherical or Cylindrical lenses to those whom the Medical Officer in charge certifies to be absolutely poor.

5. He should supply the hospital with all the apparatus and appliances necessary for refraction and testing. These should be correct to the specifications given by the Medical Officer in charge. He should also be prepared to replace any or all of them by later models whenever the Surgeon General thinks it necessary. It is also his duty to see that these things are kept clean and tidy every morning before the hospital work commences.

6. He should subject himself to the discipline of the Hospital.

LIBRARY ARCHIVES Kerala Legislative Assembly